REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment states that the Amendment filed on March 29, 2006 was noncompliant due to the fact that a complete listing of all of the claims was not present. A corrected listing of claims are reflected beginning on page 2 of this paper. The corrected listing indicates that claims 1 - 96 have been cancelled, thereby accounting for claims 1 - 48.

In view of the corrected claim listing, the Applicants respectfully request that the claims as amended by examined.

No fee is believed to be due for filing of this response. However, if any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due on this application to Deposit Account 17-0055. The Commissioner is also authorized to treat this amendment and any future reply in this matter requiring a petition for an extension of time as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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